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FORMER BELMONT COUNTY CORRECTIONAL OFFICER SENTENCED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

COLUMBUS - Jimmie D. Stewart, age 49 of 106 E. 23rd St., Bellaire, Ohio, was sentenced here in United States District Court to 37 months imprisonment and five years of supervised release for possessing child pornography.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio and Stanley J. Borgia, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation Cincinnati Field Division, announced the sentence handed down yesterday by United States District Court Judge John D. Holschuh.

Stewart pled guilty on November 5, 2005 to one count of possession of child pornography and agreed to a forfeiture of the child pornography and facilitating equipment, including his computer. Stewart was formerly employed as a correctional officer at the Belmont County Correctional Facility. The case was initiated after several complaints to the Cybertipline of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

"Child Exploitation crimes are a top priority for the U.S. Attorney and the F.B.I. We will continue to prosecute these crimes so that the safety and welfare of our children is protected," Lockhart said.

Lockhart commended FBI Special Agent Jeffrey Klain and Assistant U.S. Attorney Deborah A. Solove.

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